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For: DEVICE FOR INTRODUCING AND DISTRIBUTING
FORCES INTO OR INSIDE A LUGGAGE COMPARTMENT

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

As a means of complying with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR §1.56, and in accordance with 37 CFR §§1.97 and 1.98, Applicant, through the undersigned attorney, submits this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement. The patents, publications or other information submitted herewith are listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 and copies of the foreign patents and non-patent publications are attached. The Examiner is requested to make these references of record in the file of this application.

The patents and publications listed on Form PTO-1449 were cited in an examination report issued in connection with a corresponding patent application.

DE 200 16 405 describes an overhead storage compartment for vehicles with side walls (reference no. 1) with extensions (reference no. 32) further showing profiles (reference no. 2) connected with the side walls as shown in Figures 1 and 2 of this document.

In accordance with 37 CFR §1.97(b)(3), this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits of the above-identified application.

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